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The document consists of No. 14 vol III of the Mitteilungsblatt der Deutschen Reichsbahn (Reichsbahn Gazette), dated 17 Jun 52, and Appendix A to the same issue, dated 18 Jun 52.

The greater part of the issue is, as usual, taken up by the publication of official decrees and announcements by the Directorate General and the various directorates of the Reichsbahn. These announcements are subheaded as follows: operations, management, passenger traffic, freight traffic, locomotive technique, construction, safety and communications, planning and statistics, material procurement, finance and economy, labor and wages, law and administration, social benefits, training, personnel, and technical office.

The following items are of particular interest:

Decree, dated 6 Mar 52, creating a railroad trade school in Dresden as of 1 Oct 51 [sic] and a research institute for locomotive and railroad car construction as of 1 Apr 52. The former is directly subordinated to the Ministry of Transportation, the latter is attached to the people-owned enterprise Karl Marx Locomotive Construction in Babelsberg. In 1952 an experimental station for locomotive and railroad car operations will be created which will be subordinated to the Technical Office of the Directorate General of the Reichsbahn.

Speed limits have been changed : on the ~~Angermuendebahn~~ Ruednitz-Angermuende-Stralsund line from 80 to 100 km/h (for rail motor cars from 100 to 120 km/h), on the Stralsund-Sassnitz line for rail motor cars from 100 to 90 km/h.

Light freight trains ("Leig"), as a rule, are not to exceed ten axles.

Explanation of handling of control figures and suggestions to the Reichsbahn part of the 1953 Economic Plan.

Encouragement of part-time Reichsbahn employment for women.

List of 20 technical improvements completed or under study at the Central Equipment Designing Office of the Reichsbahn.

Analysis of operations at the switch reconditioning plant Blankenburg, prepared by students of the Central Technical Worknorm School at Blankenburg (Harz).

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